



**Operation SafeStor—emergency equipment being loaded on the Cape Vincent in New Orleans, LA during Hurricane Rita 2005.**

**Below: Operation SafeStor—a USCG boat being loaded on the Cape Taylor in Houston, TX prior to Tropical Storm Eduardo in 2008**



**Supplies being offloaded the Crowley Shipper in Haiti 2010.**



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# MARITIME MATTERS

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE



**Super Storm Sandy 2012: — SUNY Maritime Training Ship KENNEDY and the SS CAPE WRIGHT in New York provided more than 37,000 beds-nights and 72,000 meals for disaster relief workers.**



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## MARAD SHIPS CAN

- ◆ Be activated in 2- 5 days
- ◆ Conduct Joint Logistics Over the Shore (JLOTS) operations because of damage to local port
- ◆ Conduct vessel traffic service (VTS) operations for the port from the ship’s navigational bridge.
- ◆ Provide potable water to vessels working in the area that are unable to make their own water. This allows them to stay on scene and continue to provide relief services.
- ◆ Provide berthing, meals, and laundry services
- ◆ Provide potable water to assist with the wash down of all equipment being loaded in order to pass the agriculture inspection.
- ◆ Provide crane services to lighter barges and other military and commercial vessels with aid cargoes.
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Ready Reserve Force Ships the *Diamond Slate*, the training ship *Sirius*, and the RRF ship *SS Wright* help support relief efforts during Hurricane Katrina 2005